

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending.

The rejection of claims 1-15 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-3, 6-7, and 18-19 of US Patent No. 6,428,914 is obviated upon entry of the Terminal Disclaimer which is filed concurrently herewith. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

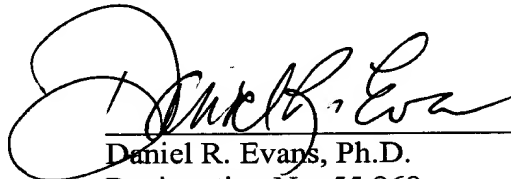
In view of the above, it is believed that Claims 1-15 are in a condition for allowance, and that the application is ready for passage to issue. An early and favorable indication is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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